

### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-40 are currently pending in this application and were subject to a Restriction Requirement. Claims 1-11 were elected for prosecution on the merits and claims 12-40 were withdrawn. Applicant has amended claim 1 to letter the respective method steps (a) - (f). Non-elected claims 12-40 have been canceled without prejudice to pursuing the subject matter thereof in a future divisional application. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, claims 1-11 are pending.

The Examiner stated in the *Ex parte Quayle* Action that claims 1-11 contain allowable subject matter and that the application is in condition for allowance except for the formal matters of submitting graphs contained in the specification as drawings and including letters to denote the method steps.

#### **Objection to Drawings**

The Examiner objected to the drawings and required new corrected drawings for Graphs 1-19 to be included as drawings, not as part of the specification. The Examiner also required a new clear copy of Graph 6.

In response, Applicants submit herewith new corrected drawings as Figures 1-23. Graphs 1-19, previously contained in the specification, are submitted as drawings renumbered as Figures 5-23. Graph 6, now renumbered as Figure 10, has been corrected to be clear and readable.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request a withdrawal of the objection to the drawings.

#### **Objection to Specification**

The Examiner objected to the specification as including graphs that should be submitted as drawings and required submission of a new specification that does not include Graphs 1-19.

In response, Applicants submit herewith a substitute specification without Graphs 1-19 in the body of the specification in clean and marked-up formats. The substitute specification is being submitted in both clean and marked up versions.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request a withdrawal of the objection to the specification.

### **Objection to Claim 1**

The Examiner objected to claim 1 for informalities and required that steps be lettered (a) through (f).

In response, Applicants have amended claim 1 to insert letters (a) - (f) before each of the method steps.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request a withdrawal of the objection to claim 1

### **Conclusion**

Applicants submit that all of the pending claims are now in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If this Response to *Ex parte Quayle* Action does not otherwise result in the issuance of such Notice, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney for an interview. The requisite fee for a one-month extension of time is being submitted with this Response to *Ex parte Quayle* Action. However, if any additional fee is due, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

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